

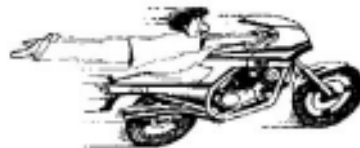
WHAT'S ON?

BIKERS 4 CHRIST BRISBANE/LOGAN

Every Second Friday Night: Beginning on Friday 7th may we are meeting at a Rev's Diner at 6.30pm in Wembley Rd Woodridge sharing a meal and a word together and short prayer time. Then headed out into the streets with the gospel to other riders throughout Brisbane (not outlaws) where-ever they hang out, to build friendships and share Jesus. **For more info ring Roscoe on 0412 490 115**

Ride: Saturday 29th May We have no ride this month as we are going to assist the Southern Cross Association with flag marshal duties at a childrens Motorcross rally in Oxley. Many helpers are needed please contact Rod or Roscoe for more info.

Ride Sunday June 27: Toowoomba church run with the CMA. This will incorporate a BBQ (hopefully) and would be a good one to bring the family along to. I may not be in Brisbane for this event so watch for more info next month!



BIKERS 4 CHRIST WHITSUNDAYS BRANCH

Every 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month "Shed Shakers" at Aussies from 1.30pm to 4.30 pm Prayer, Praise and Workshop days.

Every Sunday "Homestead Store" 12 midday for lunch then 1.45pm till 3.45pm for great fellowship.

Every Wednesday evening "Twilight Ride" meet at Aussies Shed.

Church Visitations every Sunday night to various churches in the Whitsunday's region **ALL** Welcome. We are headed for **May 2nd** COC Bowen; **9th** Baptist Bowen; **16th** AOG Bowen; **23rd** Church of Christ Collinsville; **30th** COC Bowen. *For more information ring Aussie on 0438 897 693*



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Ephesians 4:1-6 One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism

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GOODNEWS LETTER

Freely you have received, freely give Matthew 10:8

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The Glorious Saviour

Glorious indeed is the salvation offered to all in the Bible, there you will find glad tidings of deliverance not only from the penalty of sin but from its power also, and the good news it is available to everyone, everywhere and of all ages. Under no condition should you ever feel that you are left out, that this rich provision is not for you. The Bible says "God our saviour... Will have all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of truth". For there is one God and one mediation between God and man, the man Christ Jesus! Who gave himself for one and for all (**1Tim 2:3-6**), over and over again this great truth is repeated throughout the word of God - The Bible.

The apostle Paul says to Titus "the glory of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men" **Titus 2v11**. "We see Jesus" says the writer to the Hebrews, he was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death that by the grace of God he should taste death for every man **Heb 2v9**. He delivered him up for us all in Paul's message to the Romans, stating that there is **NO** difference between the Jew nor the Greek, for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him. For *Whosoever* shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved **Romans 10v12-13**. When Jesus died on Calvary he reconciled the world unto God **2Cor 5v19**. He paid the price of sin, he bridged the gap that sin had made between God and Man. After that there is no excuse for anyone to be separated from God.

Jesus made it possible for a sinful race to come back to their maker. As the Son of God and son of man he became "the way, the truth and the life" **John 14v6**. The glorious transaction is summed up and capitalised in the most beautiful word of all my favourite scriptures and passages "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son that *WHOSOEVER*.... Meant fishermen, Rabbi's, Tax Collectors, Priests, little people as well as Lords. It took in the lame, the blind, the crippled, the leper, the drunk, and the prostitutes. He left out no-one! Even the outlaws and Bikers are called and can receive salvation.

When on the day of Pentecost, Peter saw around him a crowd of strangers from every nation under heaven, the same loving word came rushing to his mind, eagerly he cried out *WHOSOEVER* shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. Again, with Cornelius the Roman Centurion, as he talked about Jesus "To him give the prophets, writers that through his name *WHOSOEVER* believes on him shall receive remission of sin **Acts 10v34**.

The glorious Saviour continued.....

Almost the last message in your Bible from Jesus is a reminder of the same gracious unlimited invitation. I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you the things in the churches.... And the Spirit and the Bridegroom say come, and let him that heareth say come and him that thirst say come. Let him take the water of life freely **Revelation 22v16-17**. Some words may be bigger and some deeper but none are broader than **WHOSOEVER**. It makes God's plan for salvation a very personal matter. It declares that every individual on the face of the earth is included. Nobody is left out, not a single man, woman, not the smallest child, boy or girl. It includes you! If you are saved what are you doing with this message, are you taking it to them all that are not?

Where-ever you read **WHOSOEVER** in the Bible you can substitute it with your name, for it is an all comprehensive offer of salvation and takes in the entire human race. The poor, the well-to-do, the sick, the well, the educated the uneducated, labourers, business men, miners, goldsmiths, computer nerds and clerks, sailors, soldiers, ship builders, authors, professors, preachers, bikers, everybody! **WHOSOEVER**. Who ever you are, wherever you may be God's gift of salvation is for you, it does not matter how big of a sinner we have been, God welcomes us just the same. If you feel your life has been too ungodly for him to receive you open your Bible to **Romans 5v6** and read the blessed announcement "In due time Christ died for the ungodly". If you think your life has been too deeply steeped in sin remember that God commanded his love toward us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us **Romans 5v8**. If you think that you have been so unjust, unkind and cruel and God couldn't possibly take you into his kingdom, do not worry for Christ also once suffered for sin, the just for the unjust that he might bring us to God **1Peter 3v18**.

If you think that you have sunk so low that ever the love of Jesus could not possibly reach you; you are mistaken, for he is able to save them to the uttermost parts of the earth that come unto God by him, seeing he ever lives to make intercession for us **Hebrews 7v25** and **WHOSOEVER** will, may come. Thank God we are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus **Romans 3v24**. We are accepted in the beloved in whom we have redemption through his blood for the forgiveness of sin, according to the riches of his grace **Ephesians 1v6-7**.

Those that think they must do something to win God's favour are sadly mistaken, no amount of money, sacrificial service, lengthy pilgrimage, painful penance to God or man, not even meticulous obedience to his commandments can buy his wonderful salvation. It must be expected as a free gift! God's offer of this free gift is the best offer we will ever receive and we need to be careful to not value it lightly due to it being a free gift. Believe in the Lord Jesus and you shall be saved it is as simple as believe, to believe that Jesus Christ is the son of God!

Smith Wigglesworth, a great man of faith from the early 1900's said "only believe". Salvation is not only an end result for us to get into heaven but it is salvation from sickness, poverty, illnesses of the mind, body and soul. Accept God's free gift today, ask him to show you his mercy, his grace and only believe.

God Bless you all - Aussie.



JUST FOR A GIGGLE

Proverbs 17:22

A merry heart doeth good like a medicine: but a broken spirit drieth the bones.

The following was overheard at a recent high society party...

"My ancestry goes all the way back to Alexander the Great," said one lady. She then turned to a second woman and asked, "How far does your family go back?"

"I don't know," was the reply. "All of our records were lost in the flood."

A Double dose.

A young man called his mother and announced excitedly that he had just met the woman of his dreams. Now what should he do?

His mother had an idea: "Why don't you send her flowers, and on the card invite her to your apartment for a home-cooked meal?"

He thought this was a great strategy, and a week later, the woman came to dinner. His mother called the next day to see how things had gone.

"I was totally humiliated," he moaned.

"She insisted on washing the dishes."

"What's wrong with that?" Asked his mother.

"We hadn't started eating yet."



TECH TIPS:

Winter Riding! One of my favourite times, I always say you can rug up to keep warm but you can't always strip down to stay cool! Due to request from a Biker 4 Christ I ask you all how do you stop a visor from fogging up when going to work those wee early hours of a winter mornings? Because I got no Idea! My helmet is a new fandanglo aerodynamic one and I leave the visor open about 2 mm which stops the fogging but I have to keep my head tilted down slightly to stop the cold coming in. There are various products available at bike shops too.

Other tips are: Warm yourself by having a hot shower prior to leaving, leave the house with all of your leather gear and one glove on with you key in the other hand, you warm your engine and your other hand at the same time. Old wives tale says if your feet, hands and head are warm so will be the rest of you, use winter gloves, socks and maybe a ballaclava.

Clothing: Definitely woollen, thermal, overlayers of cotton like shirt, jumper, jacket, and don't forget a woollen scarf knitted by ya grandma never goes astray either or neck warmers can be purchased at bike shops. Riding boots or if using work boots, tuck your Jeans into your socks. Keep your visor open for the first 100 metres as this will help keep the fog away and don't breath through your mouth, only your nose, fog is caused by dense heat on one side and cold on the other of your visor. Long Drizabones or wax cottons are good, they keep the wind out, but can be cold to touch so wear warm clothing underneath.

Received Thankyou all

Aussie in northern QLD town of Bowen works with Street Kids at various time and was in need of a 250cc Motorcycle. Last month we advertised the need and had heaps of offers that were possibilities. While waiting on the Lord and wondering who to ring back Victor rang and said I got a Suzuki 250 in the back yard that needs fixing and is completely yours if you want it - well we took it, thanks Victor, it goes toward reaching out to teenagers and young adults in Bowen. Bless ya - from Aussie.

Leather Goods

Aussie in Nth QLD is considering becoming a distributor for a leather goods manufacturer in Melbourne, if there is enough interest let him know you may wish to purchase something in the near future and he may begin to take it on, items available are

- * Biker Vests all sizes from \$95
- * Brando Style jackets (2 to choose from) starting at \$175
- * Gloves various styles and colours
- * Saddle Bags from \$140
- * Tool bags from \$60

All top quality leather and many styles available, Roscoe will have a catalogue soon if you wish to have a look through.

We have Email from our web site.



Do not undermine your worth by comparing yourself with others. It is because we are different that each of us is different.

Do not set your goals by what other people deem important. Only you know what is best for you.....

Prayer Needs / Praise Points

- * Pray for Paul in Victoria who is a brother in the Lord and had an accident on his Motorcycle and has a badly broken leg.
- * Tabitha Shiller had a cyst on her ovaries operated on last month, prayer was abundant for her but still pray for a full and speedy recovery for her.



If you have a prayer request send them to us via email, sms, or telephone call. All details are on the front page heading of this newsletter.

Welcome To:

More riders have become part of Bikers 4 Christ and we welcome you and pray that God blesses you and keeps you upright not only on your bike but also in Jesus!

Reverend Misha Zigas from Mossman in Far North Queensland who has now become a part of Bikers 4 Christ up there with Aussie in the Whitsunday area. Rev Misha is a part of the Catholic Diocese up there and rides a Harley 1200 Custom Sportster, He is also a member of the Ulysses and HOG group up there keep him in your prayers and his church. Misha enjoys riding his Harley and wearing his collar at the same time - Good on ya mate!

Dart Board Test!

A young lady "Sally" related an experience she had in a Bible College class given by a lecturer. This lecturer was known for his elaborate object lessons. One particular day Sally knew they were in for a fun day as on the wall was a large target dart board and nearby on the table were many darts, Mr Smith (the lecturer) told the students to draw a picture of someone they disliked or had made them angry, and he would allow them to throw darts at the person's picture, explaining this exercise would help them get over their anger or hurt.

Some drew pictures of former boyfriends or girlfriends, some their brothers or sisters, Sally drew a picture of a former friend going into great details even down to the pimples on the face, she was pleased with the overall look. Everyone had finished drawing their picture on the target on the wall. The class lined up and began throwing the darts, some with such force that the pictures began to rip, then it was Sally's turn, but was filled with disappointment when Mr Smith asked the students to return to their seats due to lack of time, the young lady became angry because she had missed her opportunity to throw a dart at her target.

Mr Smith began removing all the pictures and target from the wall, underneath the target was a picture of Jesus, a hush fell over the class as each student looked upon the mangled picture of Jesus. Holes and jagged marks covered his face and even his eyes were pierced. Mr Smith said only these words... "In as much as you have done it unto the least of these my brethren, you have done it unto me." **Matthew 25:40.** No other words were needed, tears filled the eyes of all the students including the young lady as they gazed upon the face of Jesus.

How would you score on the dart board test? 0 or 100?

Aussie's Testimony

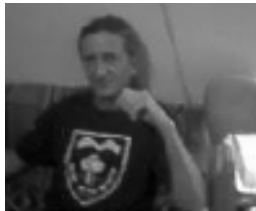
Here is a glossary of my past present and future. I was into a family of 5 boys and 2 girls, to a good old Bush Mum and a Trucker, Logger, Biker Dad. Born in the early 50's and growing up in a shack in a mountain hamlet without 240 volt power or running water was tough, what made it harder was that Dad had a drinking habit somewhat like a bathtub with the plug pulled.

Violence within was a several time a day occurrence, at first during state school I became withdrawn and anti social, by secondary school we had moved from our country shack to an outer Melbourne suburb. This was too much for me to handle and I was picked on constantly by my city peers eventually becoming violent and angry, I would tip over the edge into a violent rage frequently. Fighting became an everyday activity in the school grounds, streets, buses, or trains. I became anger ridden, exploding into violence at the drop of a hat. By form 2 I had built a reputation that had the 1 to 6th formers holding me in fearful respect, my violence was constantly in the eye of the parents, teachers, principal, police and court systems.

I had learned to make 'grappa' and had myself a solid market with fellow students, I had also discovered 'dope' and built a solid cash income from my dealings. My activities introduced me to all sorts including other tough nuts at school and the local community. In 1967 I became involved with my first 'biker gang' (name withheld for obvious reasons), I became deeply involved carrying out instructions to a tee. At this time was my intro into major crime, also the carrying of a .38 revolver. 1969 saw my first visit to "Blue Stone College" (Pentridge Prison) for firearms usage, which was the first of several visits to the 'college' at her majesty's expense.

I changed gangs one after the other looking for more meaning and fulfillment, during a 'rage' in the Dandenong Ranges I met a guy called 'Bullfrog' from the God's Squad MC. At first I thought he was just flipped out but after several meetings with him over a 12-month period I myself riding my Norton chopper into a car park of what I thought was their clubhouse. Later that day I learned it was actually a biker's church! That day, I came to know Jesus as my personal Lord and Saviour. At the end of the service I spoke with 'Bullfrog' about what I was packing then, a revolver, a flick knife, and knuckle-duster knife. He asked me 'What Would Jesus want me to do with them?' Get rid of them, destroy them was my answer. That day was the last day I ever carried a weapon, that night I returned to my Biker gang Bro's telling them about what had happened and to return my hard earned patch, this was a big no no and that night I received the biggest bashing of my life.

After getting out of hospital the Lord placed it on my heart to go back to bro's another time, after getting out of hospital the second time I once again returned to the Club house, God broke through and 3 of my bro's became real Bro's in Jesus. I continued to do the Lord's work with different gangs in Melbourne until 1975 when God called me to go to Perth. I arrived there to experience a cyclone that tore the roof off the building I was staying in. However before the force of the cyclone hit I was lying on my bed in prayerful contemplation of what God wants of me. During this time God moved in my spirit showing me a vision of what was to take place, I rolled off the bed onto my hands and knees. There was then a horrendous crash as the roof was torn off, a massive beam came piercing through the ceiling and crashing through the floor, my bed and a wall taking it all out onto Barak St, Perth.



I had been saved at the point of salvation now God had saved me physically from a violent storm. It is my belief had I not been God minded at the time the force that created that cyclone being he who is a liar, thief and murderer could have stolen my life away at that moment. However God's promises within his word that he will care for us and never leave or forsake us, I have had many near death experiences since this including be strangled and hung and left for dead but God has sustained me each time. The importance of faith in God's word is imperative for Christians, young or old, to uphold them no matter how small one's faith may be but to trust his promises, faith is the key.

From my kneeling position on the floor I could hear the screams and groans of injured people within the building, I went and done what I could to help others. While in Perth, I became involved with 'Jesus People Incorporated' working within their youth hostels and drug rehabilitation centers. On my return to Melbourne from Perth Jesus once again took me into the streets helping others, the homeless, destitute, youth and I do so to this date. God's word says that whatever a man asks for in the name of Jesus 'Shall be done' including that of defying death! My future is heaven bound. Bless the Lord.

Aussie – A Biker 4 Christ.

God's Amazing Seal part 1

Over the years of walking with Jesus I have looked into God's amazing seal upon mankind and all living creatures. I'd like to share a little with you in hope of doing so I may assist you in growing a little closer to God through Jesus Christ our Lord. The number 7 has been called the perfect number, it is in fact the SEAL of God upon his creative work. Until later years this fact seems to have almost evaded attention, then an amazing discovery was made. Hidden beneath the surface of the original Greek and Hebrew text is that same seal, not only in a few texts but literally throughout the Bible, stamping it as the indisputable word of God.

It was soon discovered that both the Bible and creation bore similar identification marks, just as surely as given papers from a certain mill bears a watermark, so what are the watermark seals of God's handiwork? multiple of seven's, each of seven. Did you know is in the exact period of explain it. Then the full Genesis 2:7 we read "and Science has had to acknowledge that the human body consists of the same 14 elements as the ground, dust we walk on (2x7). Medical science tells us today the human body is renewed in every cell every seven years, also that the heart beats slower on the seventh day (the day of rest), and in certain illnesses and diseases the critical days are always the 7th, 14th days and 21st days for healing and so on.



God's dealings with man are marked with the man's physiology is constructed on the law that the development of the human embryo sevens (28 days or 4x7), ask your doctor to birth time of a child is 280 days or 40 x 7. In God formed man of the dust of the ground"... The light from the sun is made up of 7 distinct colours, e.g. Red, Orange, Yellow, Green, Blue, Indigo and Violet. The rainbow is a demonstration of the light split into seven colours, now is that perfect design or just accidental? While we are in the air so to speak take a look at our nearest neighbour - the Moon. The earth is 49 times larger than the moon (7x7) and the moon completes its journey around the earth on the 28th Day (4x7) which is exactly in keeping with the development of the human embryo. HmMMMM, God's seal on creation!

God Bless you. From Aussie, Bikers 4 Christ Whitsunday's

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